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Utah Supports National Preparedness Month

Start Simple. Start Today!

Salt Lake City, Utah – The State of Utah has joined a national effort during September to encourage Americans to take simple steps to prepare for emergencies and disasters. This year marks the sixth annual National Preparedness Month sponsored by the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Ready campaign.

During the month of September, the Utah Department of Public Safety's Division of Homeland Security, the Utah Commission on Volunteers and the Utah Department of Health will be working together to promote various activities, tips, resources and information that encourage emergency preparedness.

Be Ready Utah is the State of Utah's emergency preparedness campaign managed by the Department of Public Safety's Division of Homeland Security. The campaign is designed as a bottom-up approach with the focus on an individual's responsibility to prepare for various kinds of emergencies and disasters.

Several public and private organizations will be joining the *Be Ready Utah* exhibit at the Utah State Fair September 10 – 14. *Be Ready Utah* week (September 14 – 20) will focus on encouraging families, businesses, government, schools and other organizations to support the *Be Ready Utah* challenge:

- ✓ Make a Plan
- ✓ Get a Kit
- ✓ Be Informed
- ✓ Get Involved

The *Be Ready Utah* campaign will launch two new online interactive planning tools during *Be Ready Utah* week. Soon, visitors to the website will be able to create a personalized family emergency plan and print out wallet-size cards upon completion. In addition, BeReadyUtah.gov will help you create a customized emergency supply kit for three days, one week, one month or even one year. The BeReadyUtah.gov website now features a new public service announcement video just launched by FEMA's *Ready* campaign.

For more information on the *Be Ready Utah* campaign, Utah preparedness events during September and helpful, simple tips to become prepared for emergencies and disasters, please visit <http://bereadyutah.gov>.

* New on BeReadyUtah.gov : [Top 10 Tips for Preparedness on a Budget](#)

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